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Invention: GASTRIC SUBMUCOSAL TISSUE

AS A NOVEL DIAGNOSTIC TOOL

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Applicant:

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AFREMOVA, VERA Examiner:

> AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

## Mail Stop RCE

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed May 18, 2007, Applicants request a three month extension of time, entry of the claim amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the \$1,050.00 fee for the three month extension of time and the RCE filing fee of \$810.00, as well as any other fees necessary to effect this filing, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our file 3220-74581.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.